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SUBJECT: HUNGARY OFFERS TO HOST FUTURE EXERCISE PLANNING GROUP (EPG) EVENT

REF: A. SECSTATE 113280

¶B. BUDAPEST 1033

¶1. In a follow-up to reftels, MFA Arms Control and Non-proliferation Section Chief Mark Horvath told PolOff on November 7 that his leadership has "agreed in principle" to organize a Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism Exercise Planning Group (EPG) event, preferably in November ¶2009. Horvath noted that Hungary will chair the Nuclear Suppliers Group next year and an EPG event "seems like a natural fit."

¶2. Post stands ready to help coordinate event details between the Department and the GOH.

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